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Documents considered to be relevant:

Category	Relevant to claims	Identity of document and passage or figure of particular relevance	
Х	1, 2, 6 - 10	US 5605440 A	(Eurocopter France) See figure 11, and lines 52 - 67 of page 12. Document discloses a vane 19 with mounting base 38 being aerofoil shaped, with the base projecting outwardly on one side only.
X	1, 2, 6, 8 - 10	EP 0133845 A	(Coral SpA) See figures 3 & 5 and claim 1. Document discloses a blade 1 with part 3 of the mounting base being aerofoil shaped
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X	1,5	EP 1076159 A2	(United Technologies Corp) See figure 5. Document discloses a vane 34 with part of its mounting base 52 being aerofoil shaped.
X	1, 4	US 4706354 A	(Snecma) See figures 3 and 4. Document discloses a vane 2 with part 12 of the mounting base being aerofoil shaped.
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